SENATE BILL NO. 13-COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES)

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Authorizes the board of county commissioners of a county to form a nonprofit corporation to aid the county in providing certain governmental services. (BDR 20-483)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to counties; authorizing the board of county commissioners of a county to form a nonprofit corporation to aid the county in providing certain services during an emergency or time of need; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides for the formation and operation of nonprofit corporations within this State. (Chapter 82 of NRS) **Section 3** of this bill authorizes a board of county commissioners to form a nonprofit corporation to aid the county during an emergency or time of need in providing to residents and visitors emergency assistance or any other governmental service such as social services or financial assistance. **Section 4** of this bill provides that such a nonprofit corporation has the same powers as other nonprofit corporations except that the nonprofit shall not: (1) borrow money, contract debts or issue bonds, promissory notes, drafts, debentures or other indebtedness; or (2) levy dues, assessments or fees. **Section 5** of this bill deems: (1) such a nonprofit corporation to be a political subdivision; and (2) members of the board of directors to be employees of the political subdivision for purposes of tort liability. **Section 6** of this bill requires that the assets of the government nonprofit corporation must be distributed to the county upon the dissolution of the government nonprofit corporation.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** Chapter 244 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 2. 1. Except as otherwise provided in sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act, the provisions of chapter 82 of NRS apply to a nonprofit corporation formed pursuant to section 3 of this act.

2. To the extent that the provisions of sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act conflict with the provisions of chapter 82 of NRS, the provisions of sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act control.

- Sec. 3. 1. The board of county commissioners of a county may form a nonprofit corporation to aid the county during an emergency or a time of need in providing to residents and visitors emergency assistance or any other governmental service, including, without limitation, social services and financial assistance for food and shelter.
- 2. The board of county commissioners shall approve by resolution the articles of incorporation and bylaws of the nonprofit corporation before the articles of incorporation may be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to NRS 82.081.
- 3. After adopting a resolution forming a nonprofit corporation pursuant to this section, the board of county commissioners shall appoint the initial members of the board of directors. All subsequent members of the board of directors must be appointed as provided in the bylaws of the nonprofit corporation.
- 4. A person who is appointed to serve as a member of the board of directors is not a public officer by virtue of such appointment.
- **Sec. 4.** 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a nonprofit corporation formed pursuant to section 3 of this act has the powers set forth in NRS 82.121 and 82.131.
- 2. A nonprofit corporation formed pursuant to section 3 of this act shall not exercise the powers set forth in subsection 1 or 5 of NRS 82.131.
- Sec. 5. Any liability or action against a nonprofit corporation formed pursuant to section 3 of this act must be determined in the same manner and with the same limitations and conditions as provided in NRS 41.0305 to 41.039, inclusive. To this extent, the nonprofit corporation shall be deemed a political subdivision of the State and the members of the board of directors shall be deemed employees of the political subdivision.





Sec. 6. Upon the dissolution of a nonprofit corporation formed pursuant to section 3 of this act, the assets of the nonprofit corporation must be distributed to the county which formed the nonprofit corporation and used in a manner consistent with the purposes of the nonprofit corporation.





